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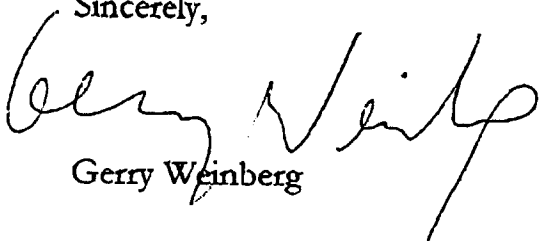
Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

I write to you today to express my support of the settlement reached between the Department of Justice and Microsoft. Although I believe the merits of the case against Microsoft are questionable, I believe that the resolution of this case bodes well for the technology industry.

Developers, consumers, and manufacturers will all see the benefits of this settlement. Developers will now be able to design competing software that is easily interchangeable within the Windows system. Consumers can now redesign Windows to suit their tastes. Similarly, manufacturers will be freed of contractual restrictions placed upon them by Microsoft.

To sum, the enactment of the settlement has enormous benefits. Enact the settlement at the end of January.

Sincerely,



Gerry Weinberg